The Research-Grant Game: Get the autumn to a flying start with a board game that helps you draft up a research proposal with collaborators.

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As the autumn semester gets underway, new calls for grant proposals are also released. Are you interested in getting into grant-writing mode using an entrepreneurial approach to grant-writing with strangers (that could become your collaborators)? Then maybe this workshop is something for you to join.

We will be running a grant-writing board game (yes you read that correctly) as a half-day workshop called ESHIP: Navigating Uncertainty – Research Grant edition.

The aim of this workshop is simple. Come with an open mind. Find someone you have not interacted with earlier and form a team together (min. 3 people per team and max of 4). Maybe you have interacted with someone already or discussed a project proposal theoretically – and would like to now form a real team – this is also OK. You will then have about 3 hours to identify your research question, and structure an interdisciplinary grant proposal in a fictive and uncertain setting facilitated by the board game. We say “fictive” as there is a “roleplaying element” in the fictive board game that will help you break the ice but also be more imaginative and creative. There will be some uncertainty thrown in as well – as it is uncertainty that makes things interesting 😊 While playing the game you will be documenting your process on a live companion app – and towards the end of the workshop you will present your project proposal to your peer teams.

Key Takeaways: We hope that at the end of the session you would have built new bridges, identified new collaborators, come up with interesting research proposals, become better equipped to deal with inevitable uncertainties, have fun and most importantly have a skeletal grant proposal that you can use to build towards future grant calls or other interdisciplinary grant calls.

All seasoned grant writers as well as novice writers are invited to participate. If you are a PhD student and curious about the world of grant-writing – this could also be relevant for you.

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The workshop will be held on 14 September 2022 at Neapolis University, Pafos, Cyprus the day before ECIE 2022. The cost of attending the workshop is £60.

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